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## Rulemaking Hearing Rule(s) Filing Form

*Rulemaking Hearing Rules are rules filed after and as a result of a rulemaking hearing. T.C.A. § 4-5-205*

**Agency/Board/Commission:** Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency  
**Division:** Region 1  
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**Revision Type (check all that apply):**

☒ Amendment  
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**Rule(s) Revised (ALL chapters and rules contained in filing must be listed here. If needed, copy and paste additional tables to accommodate multiple chapters. Please enter only **ONE** Rule Number/Rule Title per row)**

Chapter Number	Chapter Title
1660-01-27	Rules and Regulations for State Operated Hunter Education Centers and Public Firing Ranges
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1660-01-27-.05	Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency Hunter Education and Range Facility

Chapter 1660-01-27  
Rules and Regulations for State Operated Hunter Education Centers and Firing Ranges

Amendment

1660-01-27-.05, Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency Hunter Education and Range Facility, is amended by deleting subparagraph (b) of paragraph (1) and replacing it with a new subparagraph (b) so that, as amended, it shall read:

(b) Annual Fee (all ages) - \$250.00

Authority: T.C.A. §§70-1-206 and 70-2-224. Administrative History: Original rule filed May 31, 2000; effective August 14, 200. Amendment filed September 15, 2000, effective November 29, 2000. Amendment filed June 21, 2002; effective September 4, 2002. Amendment filed February 10, 2005; effective April 26, 2005.

\* If a roll-call vote was necessary, the vote by the Agency on these rulemaking hearing rules was as follows:

Board Member	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
Jeff McMillin	✓			
Jim Bledsoe	✓			
William L. Brown				
Harold Cannon	✓			
Bill Cox	✓			
Jeffrey H. Griggs	✓			
Tom Rice	✓			
Jim Ripley				✓
Julie Schuster	✓			
Clayton Stout	✓			
James Stroud				✓
Trey Teague	✓			
Jamie Woodson				✓

I certify that this is an accurate and complete copy of rulemaking hearing rules, lawfully promulgated and adopted by the Tennessee Fish & Wildlife Commission on 04/26/2013 (mm/dd/yyyy), and is in compliance with the provisions of T.C.A. § 4-5-222.

I further certify the following:

Notice of Rulemaking Hearing filed with the Department of State on: 02/22/2013

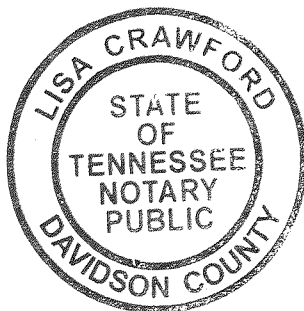
Rulemaking Hearing(s) Conducted on: (add more dates). 04/26/2013

Date: 4-30-13

Signature: Ed Carter

Name of Officer: Ed Carter

Title of Officer: Executive Director



Subscribed and sworn to before me on: 4-30-13

Notary Public Signature: Lisa Crawford

My commission expires on: 5-5-15

All rulemaking hearing rules provided for herein have been examined by the Attorney General and Reporter of the State of Tennessee and are approved as to legality pursuant to the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act, Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 5.

Robert E. Cooper, Jr.  
Attorney General and Reporter  
5-21-13  
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New	<u>      </u>
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☒ There were no public comments to the above-described rule.

☐ Attached hereto are the responses to public comments.

## Regulatory Flexibility Addendum

Pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 4-5-401 through 4-5-404, prior to initiating the rule making process as described in T.C.A. § 4-5-202(a)(3) and T.C.A. § 4-5-202(a), all agencies shall conduct a review of whether a proposed rule or rule affects small businesses.

(1) The type or types of small business and an identification and estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed rule that would bear the cost of, and/or directly benefit from the proposed rule;

The commission does not anticipate significant impact to small businesses in Tennessee. This proposed rule lowers the annual user fee at the TWRA Hunter Education and Range Facility only.

(2) The projected reporting, recordkeeping and other administrative costs required for compliance with the proposed rule, including the type of professional skills necessary for preparation of the report or record;

The Commission anticipates no record keeping associated with this rule.

(3) A statement of the probable effect on impacted small businesses and consumers;

The Commission anticipates no probable effect to small businesses.

(4) A description of any less burdensome, less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose and/or objectives of the proposed rule that may exist, and to what extent, such alternative means might be less burdensome to small business;

The Commission is unaware of alternatives to the proposed rule and does not believe the rule as proposed would be burdensome to small businesses.

(5) A comparison of the proposed rule with any federal or state counterparts; and

The Commission is unaware of federal or state counterparts to this rule.

(6) Analysis of the effect of the possible exemption of small businesses from all or any part of the requirements contained in the proposed rule.

The Commission anticipates no probable effect to small businesses and exemptions to this rule would likely not be beneficial.

## **Impact on Local Governments**

Pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 4-5-220 and 4-5-228 "any rule proposed to be promulgated shall state in a simple declarative sentence, without additional comments on the merits of the policy of the rules or regulation, whether the rule or regulation may have a projected impact on local governments." (See Public Chapter Number 1070 (<http://state.tn.us/sos/acts/106/pub/pc1070.pdf>) of the 2010 Session of the General Assembly)

Will passage of this rule have a projected financial impact on local governments?

The Commission is not aware of any projected financial impacts on local governments.

Please describe the increase in expenditures or decrease in revenues:

The Commission does not expect an increase in expenditures.

The current cost of an annual user fee is cost prohibitive to the shooting public. Currently, only one customer purchases an annual user fee permit. The fee decrease is expected to generate more interest resulting in higher sales of the permit.

## **Additional Information Required by Joint Government Operations Committee**

All agencies, upon filing a rule, must also submit the following pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-226(i)(1).

- (A)** A brief summary of the rule and a description of all relevant changes in previous regulations effectuated by such rule;

A user fee (hourly, daily, or annual) is currently required. Lowering the annual fee increases the opportunity for frequent users of the range. The new rule would likely increase revenue as more annual user permits would likely be sold.

- (B)** A citation to and brief description of any federal law or regulation or any state law or regulation mandating promulgation of such rule or establishing guidelines relevant thereto;

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- (C)** Identification of persons, organizations, corporations or governmental entities most directly affected by this rule, and whether those persons, organizations, corporations or governmental entities urge adoption or rejection of this rule;

Persons utilizing specified Hunter Education Center are required to possess certain permits. Since this is already required there should be little impact to said individuals.

- (D)** Identification of any opinions of the attorney general and reporter or any judicial ruling that directly relates to the rule;

We are not aware of any opinions of the attorney general or any judicial ruling that directly relate to this rule.

- (E)** An estimate of the probable increase or decrease in state and local government revenues and expenditures, if any, resulting from the promulgation of this rule, and assumptions and reasoning upon which the estimate is based. An agency shall not state that the fiscal impact is minimal if the fiscal impact is more than two percent (2%) of the agency's annual budget or five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), whichever is less;

The impact to state government revenues and expenditures is minimal as a result of this rule amendment.

- (F)** Identification of the appropriate agency representative or representatives, possessing substantial knowledge and understanding of the rule;

Steve Henderson, Region I Boating/Hunter Education Coordinator, possesses substantial knowledge and understanding of this rule. Steve.Henderson@tn.gov

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Nat Johnson, Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency, P.O. Box 40747, Nashville, TN 37204, (615) 781-6555, Nat.Johnson@tn.gov

- (I)** Any additional information relevant to the rule proposed for continuation that the committee requests.

None.



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